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Legislative Document

No. 1504

S. P. 572

In Senate, April 22, 1953.

Reported by Senator R. N. Haskell of Penobscot from Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and printed under Joint Rules No. 10.
CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

RESOLVE, in Favor of Aroostook State Park.

Aroostook State Park construction and improvements; appropriation for. Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$10,000 for the 1953-54 fiscal year and \$10,000 for the 1954-55 fiscal year for construction and improvement at Aroostook State Park. Such expenditures shall be as recommended by the state park commission and approved by the governor and council. It is the intent of the legislature that the state park commission in their recommendations and the governor and council in their approval shall consider the total needs related to the overall development of Aroostook State Park and in their final consideration give approval to such expenditures as shall accomplish the greatest possible development of this park facility within the limits of the appropriation provided herein.

Any balances at June 30, 1954 shall be carried forward to the 1954-55 fiscal year, but all unencumbered appropriation balances shall lapse June 30, 1955.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The Aroostook State Park possesses natural advantages capable of extensive development into a facility which will have great and general use

and add substantially to the recreational facilities offered by the state of Maine.

In recommending a total of \$20,000 for this park during the next bienium, the committee concluded that such an appropriation represented a fair allocation to Aroostook State Park from the total available unappropriated surplus funds. The committee also concluded that whereas the entire amount requested by the state park commission is not provided for in this act, a further study by the commission, subject to the approval of the governor and council, would develop plans wherein the sum herein provided for could best be used in developing the park.

Below is an itemized tabulation of the construction and improvement needs showing the request of the department which in the governor's recommendation was approved in full:

	Department Request	
	<u>1953-54</u>	<u>1954-55</u>
Aroostook State Park		
Roads and parking	9,246	—
Picnic area, tables, fireplaces and water supply	1,800	—
Toilets	800	—
Beach area development	—	9,100
Self service bathhouse	—	1,500
Total	<u>11,846</u>	<u>10,600</u>